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DPD-7272-59

23 October 1959

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Logistics

ATTENTION : Military Procurement Division

SUBJECT : C-130A Range Augmentation

REFERENCES : (a) Memo to Director of Plans, USAF, subject:
Installation of Benson Tanks on C-130A
Aircraft, dated 5 October 1959

(b) Memo to Director of Logistics, subject
same as above, dated 20 October 1959
No. DPD-7177-59

1. Since placing the original requirement on your office for a range augmentation of the C-130A aircraft which indicated the need for a 3500 nautical mile range, a change based on more current information is desired.

2. In order to conform more readily with recent augmentation standards which have been approved by the Air Force for subject aircraft, it is desired, as an ultimate goal, that provisioning be made to provide for two aircraft which would be modified in line with current programs to the extent that each would have integral pylon installations with supplementary provisioning for a two tank Benson installation in each aircraft.

3. As an immediate step to meet current operational requirements, it is requested that priority action be taken to obtain two, two tank Benson installation kits complete with tanks, hardware, etc., to be ready for pickup not later than 31 October 1959. Discussions this date with [redacted] office have confirmed the desirability of taking this route as opposed to the multiple Benson tank installation which would incur the need for a test program and excessive costs without any assurance that the ultimate result would, in fact, satisfy all future operational requirements.

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4. It has been determined that the foregoing request meets the augmentation requirements stipulated in reference (b) above.

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Chief, Materiel Branch
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